

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Claims 34-36 are canceled.

Listing of Claims:

1-27. (Cancelled)

28. (Currently Amended) A method of printing using a print device, the print device comprising ~~one or more~~ a first consumables, each consumable comprising having a first a process surface, a second consumable having a second process surface and ~~each consumable enclosed in a~~ at least one protective housing having ~~[[an]]~~ a first exposure gap and a second exposure gap, the method comprising:

designating a region of the first process surface as a first non-use zone;

designating a region of the second process surface as a second non-use zone;

avoiding the transfer of image information to the first non-use zone and the second non-use zone during periods of printing; and

positioning the first non-use zone at [[an]] the first exposure gap and the second non-use zone at the second exposure gap during periods of nonprinting.

29. (Currently Amended) The method as recited in claim 28, further comprising:

designating a region of the first process surface as an image zone; and
controlling the first process surface to facilitate the transfer of image information to and from the image zone during periods of printing.

30. (Original) Computer-readable media having computer-readable instructions for performing the method as recited in claim 28.

31. (Currently Amended) A method for protecting a consumable component photoconductor of a printing device, and the ~~consumable component~~ photoconductor encased within a protective housing having an exposure gap, the method comprising:

defining a region of the photoconductor as an image zone;

forming an image on the image zone by exposing the image zone to a photoelectric imaging process and dusting the image zone with toner through the exposure gap;

defining a region of the ~~consumable component~~ photoconductor as a non-use zone;

positioning the non-use zone at the exposure gap during periods of nonprinting.

32. (Original) The method as recited in claim 31 further comprising:
avoiding the transfer of image information to the non-use zone during periods of printing.

33. (Currently Amended) The method as recited in claim 31, further comprising:

~~defining a region of the consumable component as an image zone;~~

and

avoiding the transfer of image information to the non-use zone during periods of printing[[],]

~~transferring image information to and from the image zone; and~~

~~avoiding the transfer of image information to the non-use zone.~~

34. (Cancelled)

35. (Cancelled)

36. (Cancelled)

37. (Original) Computer-readable media having computer-readable instructions for performing the method as recited in claim 31.

38. (New) The method of claim 28, wherein the first consumable comprises a photoconductor and wherein the second consumable comprises a non-photoconductive printing material transfer member.

39. (New) The method of claim 38, wherein the second consumable comprises a belt.

40. (New) The method of claim 28, wherein the first consumable comprises a photoconductor and wherein the method further includes applying printing material to the photoconductor through the first exposure gap.

41. (New) A method for printing comprising:
designating a region of a non-photoconductive consumable, contained within a protective housing having a first exposure gap, as a non-use zone; and
positioning the non-use zone at the first exposure gap during periods of non-printing.

42. (New) The method of claim 41, wherein the non-photoconductive consumable includes a first roller and a second opposite roller and wherein the non-use zone includes a first portion of the first roller and a second portion of the second roller.

43. (New) The method of claim 41, wherein the non-photoconductive consumable comprises printing material transfer member and wherein the method further includes depositing printing material upon the transfer member while avoiding the deposition of printing material on the non-use zone during periods of printing.

44. (New) The method of claim 41 including:
designating a region of a photoconductor within the protective housing as an image-zone;
designating a region of the photoconductor as a non-use zone;
depositing the printing material to the photoconductor through a second exposure gap in the protective housing; and

positioning the non-use zone of the photoconductor at the second exposure gap during periods of nonprinting.